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DATE:

August 19, 2008

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

La Torre Jalapeno Nacho Slices Recall

Suggested Action: Peppers Unlimited, Inc Advisory; Jalapeno Nacho Slices from Peppers Unlimited Inc - container integrity; Recommend notification to establishments that may carry these products via phone, fax or e-mail. This advisory is not associated with the Salmonella Saint Paul outbreak.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled product was sold nationwide through food distributors and retailers. Specific distribution information is not available at this time.

August 14, 2008

Peppers Unlimited, Inc. 10727 Commerce Way Suite A Fontana, CA 92337 (909) 923-5580

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For Immediate Press Release

Peppers Unlimited, Inc. of Fontana California is voluntarily recalling 580 cases of La Torre Jalapeno Nacho Slices because of possible product contamination caused by a chemical reaction between the product and the can potentially resulting in a swollen and/or ruptured container and significant off flavor.

The recalled products were sold nationwide through food distributors and food retailers.

The Jalapeno Nacho Slices were sold in 425 gram cans and bear the following description:

Yellow, red, white and black label with a picture of Jalapeno Slices. The La Torre logo is in black and the "Jalapeno Nacho Slices" is in white.



The affected lot numbers are: AU4D6; AU4E6; AU515; AU516; AU520; AU526; AU5H6; AU5L6; AU5M6; AU8W6; AU955; AU9V5; AU9W5; AU9X5; AU9Y5; AU9Z5 (In some cases these lots may have a letter "A" or "B" proceeding the lot #, for example AU4D6A OR AU4D6B). Some cans may bear no lot number. The lot code is located on the bottom of the can.

To date no illnesses have been reported regarding this issue, however, this recall is being initiated as a precautionary measure and consumers should not consume these affected products even if the cans appear to be normal. Consumers who have the opened cans of the affected products or who have used them in recipes should immediately throw the cans and food away. Unopened cans may be returned to the place of purchase for a refund.

This recall is being made with the knowledge and in cooperation with the US Food and Drug Administration. Customers with questions may contact Peppers Unlimited, Inc at (909) 923-5580.